

### Re-levy of Gold Duty.

Q.—105. Sri R. ANANTARAMAN (Chamarajpet).—

Will the Government be pleased to State:—

(a) the date on which the Gold duty on Kolar Gold Fields mines was abolished;

(b) the reasons for abolishing the duty;

(c) the annual output of gold in the above mines;

(d) whether they are contemplating to re-levy the duty on gold?

A.—Sri K. HANUMANTHAIYA (Chief Minister).—

(a) 6—7th May 1949.

(b) with a view to provide sufficient margin to the companies for carrying on development and capital programme works after meeting working expenses and taxation and also to make the companies work low grade ore, so that the life of the mines and the period of income to the State may both be prolonged.

(c)	Year	Fine Ounces
	1947	1,71,765
	1948	1,80,089
	1949	1,60,990
	1950	1,89,523
	1951	2,16,608

(d) No.

Steps taken to implement the recommendations of Seshachar Enquiry Committee.

Q.—106. Sri R. ANANTARAMAN (Chamarajpet).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the date on which they entered into agreement with the Government of Madras regarding the sharing of water of the Kaveri from Krishnarajasagar;

(b) whether they will place a copy of the agreement on the table of the House;

(c) whether steps are taken to alter the agreement to suit the present conditions;

(d) the steps taken to implement the recommendations of the Seshachar Enquiry Committee?

A.—Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA (Minister for Revenue and Public Works).—

(a) and (b) The agreement with the Government of Madras regarding the sharing of the Kaveri waters was finalised on 18th February 1924.

(c) This question is under active consideration of Government.

(d) Necessary steps are being taken to implement the decisions of the Seshachar Enquiry Committee. Field squads are at work in mapping out the Visvesvaraya Canal Area and demarcating the sugarcane and paddy blocks. Government have appointed a committee under the Chairmanship of Sri B. S. Narasinga Rao, Retired Chief Engineer, to examine the question of restoring all breached tanks in the Visvesvaraya Canal Area. The Kapini Reservoir Scheme which is estimated to cost Rs. 250 lakhs is before Government for administrative sanction.

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Action taken to balance the inadequacy in the percentage in the Public Service of Depressed Class Officials.

Q.—109. Sri B. RACHAIAH (Yelandur—Scheduled Castes).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the policy adopted in retrenching Government servants;

(b) the total number of Government servants who have been affected by this policy;

(c) the number of Depressed Class Government servants who have been retrenched;

(d) whether it is not a fact that they have received a communication from the Government of India requesting them not to disturb the Depressed Class Officials;

(e) if so, what action they have taken to balance the inadequacy in the percentage in the public services?